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Remarks

The listed reference are discussed on page 1 of the specification and were brought to applicants' attention by the attached International Search Report.

U.S. 5,739,391 is the English equivalent of DE-A 44 31 949, which is discussed on page 1 of the instant specification.

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